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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This is in response to the Office Action of July 24, 2003. The period for response has been extended by one (1) month to November 24, 2003 by the enclosed Petition for Extension of Time.

Claims 1-6 have been canceled without prejudice. Claims 7-15 remain in this application.

In the previously mentioned Office Action the Examiner rejected claims 1, 2, 5, and 6 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b), claims 7-15 were allowed and the Examiner indicated that claims 3 and 4 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim.

The rejection of claims 1, 2, 5, and 6 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Noiles (4,060,089) is respectfully traversed.

Noiles neither discloses nor suggests Applicant's claimed invention. However, in order to place the application in condition for allowance Applicant has canceled without prejudice claims 1, 2, 5, and 6. In addition, although claims 3 and 4 were objected to as being depending upon a rejected base claim, claims 3 and 4 are also canceled without prejudice in order to place the application in condition for allowance.

Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to allow the claims of record.

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